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Introduced by: Representatives Michels, Cutler, Deadrick (Thomas), Engels, Gillespie, Madsen, McCaulley, and O'Brien and Senators Knudson and de Hueck

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the procedure for registering a business name.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 3 Section 1. That § 37-11-1 be amended to read as follows:
- 4 37-11-1. It is a Class 2 misdemeanor for any person or copartnership to engage in or conduct
- 5 a business for profit in this state under any name which does not plainly show the true surname
- 6 of each person interested in such business unless a statement is filed first. The statement shall
- 7 be verified by each person interested in the business, showing the name, post office address, and
- 8 residence address of each person interested in the business and the address where the main
- 9 office of the business is to be maintained. The statement shall be <u>electronically</u> filed in the office
- of the register of deeds in each county where the business is maintained with the secretary of
- state, or filed in paper form with the office of the register of deeds in each county where the
- business is maintained, and the filing shall be renewed every fifth year thereafter. A fee of ten
- dollars shall be charged for paid with each new filing and renewal in accordance with
- subdivision 7-9-15(3). The fee shall be retained by the filing office receiving the filing.
- 15 Section 2. That § 37-11-2 be amended to read as follows:



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37-11-2. A verified statement as described in § 37-11-1 shall be similarly filed from time

- 2 to time upon any change in ownership, operation, or persons interested of twenty-five percent
- 3 or more of the ownership interest in the business. A fee of ten dollars shall be charged for paid
- 4 <u>with</u> each filing under this section in accordance with subdivision 7-9-15(3). The fee shall be
- 5 retained by the filing office receiving the filing.
- 6 Section 3. That § 37-11-3 be amended to read as follows:
- 7 37-11-3. The register of deeds secretary of state shall record the information required by and
- 8 filed with him pursuant to the provisions of §§ 37-11-1 and 37-11-2 in such manner as may be
- 9 necessary to effectuate the purposes of this chapter. The register of deeds shall, within seven
- 10 days, electronically record, on the electronic filing system maintained by the secretary of state,
- the information collected on paper forms filed with the register of deeds pursuant to sections 1
- and 2 of this Act.
- Section 4. That § 37-11-2.1 be repealed.
- 14 37-11-2.1. The register of deeds shall cause to be placed in each of the legal publications in
- 15 the county in the first January issue thereof a notice briefly setting forth the obligation provided
- 16 for in §§ 37-11-1 and 37-11-2.
- 17 Section 5. The secretary of state may expend funds from § 57A-9-527 for developing and
- maintaining a system for recording the information filed pursuant to this Act.